

EXHIBIT 2

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

In re:

ANTHONY THOMAS; WENDI
THOMAS; AT EMERALD, LLC;

Debtors.

ANTHONY THOMAS, WENDI
THOMAS,

Appellants,

vs.

KENMARK VENTURES, LLC,

Appellee.

Bk Case No. BK-N-14-
50333BTB

Chapter 7

[Lead Case – Jointly
Administered]

9th Cir. No. 17-60042

**APPELLANT’S MOTION TO
SUPPLEMENT RECORD TO
INCLUDE NEWLY AVAILABLE
EVIDENCE**

Appellants Anthony Thomas and Wendi Thomas (“Appellants”), by and through their legal counsel, Macauley Law Group, P.C., respectfully files this Appellants’ Motion To Supplement Record to Include Newly Available Evidence (“Motion”):

1. By order issued February 9, 2017, this appeal is being submitted for decision on February 13, 2017, without oral argument. The appeal has been fully briefed.

2. This appeal seeks the reversal of the Nondischargeable Judgment After Trial, entered by the Bankruptcy Court below on February 19, 2016, and submitted to this Court in Volume V of Appellants' Excerpts of Record ("Judgment").

3. The Judgment declares nondischargeable under Bankruptcy Code Section 523(a)(2) the underlying judgment of the Santa Clara Superior Court in case no. 108CV130677 against Appellant Anthony Thomas ("Santa Clara Judgment") in the amount of \$4,500,000.00 plus interest and attorneys' fees and costs.

4. The Santa Clara Judgment had been previously entered by the Santa Clara Superior Court pursuant to a settlement and stipulated judgment signed by Appellant Anthony Thomas, among others.

5. Today, Appellant Anthony Thomas has obtained a declaration from attorney Robert Machado, that provides direct evidence that a fraud was perpetrated upon him in connection with the Santa Clara Judgment. The Declaration of Robert A. Machado in support of Defendant Anthony Thomas' C.C.P. §473(d) Motion to Set Aside and Vacate the Settlement Entered Into on October 5, 2011 ("Machado Declaration") is attached to this Motion as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein. Appellant was fraudulently induced to enter into the underlying stipulation and/or the settlement by his prior legal counsel, Michael T.

Morrissey, who had erroneously assured him that he would not be responsible for the over \$4.5 million debt created by the Santa Clara Judgment and that Michael Gardiner would be solely liable for the debt, although this representation was patently false. Mr. Morrissey has since been permanently disbarred from the practice of law in California, and Michael Gardiner skipped the country, leaving the debt to be paid by Appellant.

6. The Machado Declaration was previously unavailable, because Mr. Machado would not previously execute a declaration in light of pending criminal legal proceedings against him for alleged assistance to Mr. Morrissey.

7. The Machado Declaration will be filed shortly with the Santa Clara Superior Court with a motion seeking to avoid the Santa Clara Judgment as obtained by fraud.

8. This Court has authority to consider a request to supplement the record with evidence not presented to the trial court. *See Nat'l Ass'n for Advancement of Multijurisdiction Practice v. Ariz. Supreme Court*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 150190, 2013 WL 5718962, at 2 (D. Ariz. 2013) (holding that a request to supplement the record with materials not reviewed by the court "should be directed to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals"). The Courts of Appeal have the inherent equitable power to supplement the record. *Dickerson v. State of Alabama*, 667 F.2d 1364, 1367 n.5 (11th Cir. 1982), cert denied, 459 U.S. 878, 103 S. Ct.

173, 74 L. Ed. 2d 142 (1982). This discretion should be exercised "[o]nly in extraordinary situations." Barilla v. Ervin, 886 F.2d 1514, 1521 n.7 (9th Cir. 1989), overruled on other grounds by Jacobus v. Alaska, 338 F.3d 1095 (9th Cir. 2003); *see also* In re Tac Fin., Inc., 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 193776, at 7 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 22, 2017).

9. Here, extraordinary circumstances exist, because the Bankruptcy Court below entered its Judgment based on the debt created by the Santa Clara Judgment that was induced by fraud. The Machado Declaration was only now obtained, because its admissions would not be made by the witness before now. For that reason, to date, this evidence was unavailable and newly discovered and, due to its evidence of severe misconduct, fraud and malpractice, it is highly relevant to whether or not any underlying debt for the Judgment exists and should be considered by this Court in this appeal in the exercise of its inherent equitable powers.

10. Accordingly, Appellants now respectfully seeks this Court to exercise its inherent equitable power to allow Appellants to supplement the record in this appeal with this newly obtained evidence in the form of the Machado Declaration and that such evidence be considered as evidence that the Judgment (which relied on the Santa Clara Judgment as evidence of the underlying debt) should be reversed and/or remanded to the Bankruptcy Court for further proceedings.

WHEREFORE, based on the compelling circumstances set forth above, Appellants respectfully request that this Court allow them to supplement the record with the Machado Declaration and that such newly obtained evidence be considered as part of the review of this appeal.

DATED: February 12, 2018

MACAULEY LAW GROUP
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By: /s/ Laury M. Macauley
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DECLARATION

I, Laury M. Macauley, Esq., hereby declare under penalty of perjury that I am counsel for Appellants, Anthony Thomas and Wendi Thomas, and that the foregoing facts are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Executed this 12th day of February, 2018, at Roseville, California.

/s/ Laury M. Macauley
LAURY M. MACAULEY

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court for the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel of the Ninth Circuit by using the appellate CM/ECF system for that Court on February 12, 2018.

I certify that all participants in the case are registered CM/ECF users and that service will be accomplished by the appellate CM/ECF system for this Court. I also certify that I have served a copy of this Motion via email on Appellee's Counsel.

/s/ Laury M. Macauley
LAURY M. MACAULEY

EXHIBIT A

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SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
 COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

KENMARK VENTURES, LLC

Plaintiff,

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ANTHONY THOMAS,

Defendant

Case No.: 1-08-CV-130677

DECLARATION OF ROBERT A.
 MACHADO IN SUPPORT OF
 DEFENDANT ANTHONY THOMAS'
 C.C.P. §473(d) MOTION TO SET
 ASIDE AND VACATE THE
 SETTLEMENT ENTERED INTO ON
 OCTOBER 5, 2011

Decl. of Robert A. Machado ISO Anthony Thomas' Motion To Set Aside

1 I, Robert A. Machado, declare as follows:

- 2 1. I was one of the attorneys of record in this case on October 5, 2011 when the parties
3 settled this case and recited the settlement in open court.
- 4 2. In that action, I was co-counsel with Michael T. Morrissey ("Morrissey"), SBN 62195
5 (now disbarred) representing our mutual client, Anthony Thomas.
- 6 3. On June 24, 2011, I associated in as co-counsel with Morrissey on this case pursuant to
7 my prior arrangement with Morrissey to associate in as co-counsel with Morrissey in cases
8 that may be affected by a six month suspension he needed to serve. You see back in 2009,
9 in an attempt to accommodate Morrissey, his clients, opposing parties, their counsel and
10 the courts, with the client's consent, I agreed to associate in as co-counsel in all of
11 Morrissey's ongoing cases that may be affected by said suspension at no additional costs
12 or fees to his clients. As a way of background, in the mid to late 2000's Morrissey
13 participated in and successfully completed the State Bar Court's ADP for five consolidated
14 proceedings pertaining to his conduct in 2002-2004 and was in fact congratulated and
15 commended by the Bar for his dedication and exemplary conduct in completing said
16 program. In spite of his commendable conduct the Bar Court was of the opinion that he
17 still had to be subjected to the six month suspension, but allowed him to break it up into
18 three 60 day terms in order to lessen the hardship Morrissey and his clients would sustain.
19 At the time I associated in this case Morrissey had completed two of his three terms and
20 was scheduled to start his last term of suspension on August 1, 2011. Note: His first two
21 terms of suspensions were from 11-25-2009 thru 1-25-2010 (62 days) and 7-13-2010 thru
22 9-13-2010 (63 days) for a totaled 125 days. Therefore Morrissey was of the opinion that
23 he had 55 days left of his suspension and if he commenced his last term of suspension on
24 8-1-2011 he would have served the remaining 55 days by September 24 and thus with the
25 trial date being moved to October 3, 2011 he would be eligible to practice law and able to
26 attend the mandatory settlement conference scheduled for September 28, 2011. Although
27 his calculations as to the number of days was correct on the morning of September 28,
28 2011 he was still listed as ineligible to practice law and therefore I alone represented

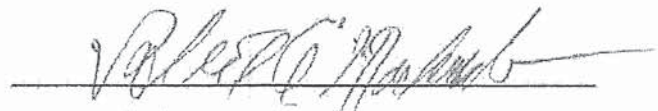
- 1 Anthony Thomas and AT Emerald LLC at the settlement conference. (By October 3 his
2 status was changed to eligible to practice.)
- 3 4. At said conference I pointed out to Judge pro tem Chris Graham the attorney conducting
4 the settlement conference that all of Kenmark Ventures LLC ("KENMARK") funds went
5 directly to bank accounts belonging to Electronic Plastics, LLC (the "COMPANY"). Mr.
6 Graham commented that our settlement conference was very thorough and even stated my
7 client had over a 75% chance of winning if not higher.
- 8 5. I personally reviewed the evidence confirming that all KENMARK fund transfers went
9 directly into the COMPANY and additionally each of the transfers either stated they were
10 investments or did not specify the purpose of the transfer.
- 11 6. My review of the KENMARK fund transfers confirmed that none of the funds or transfers
12 had gone to Mr. Thomas either directly or indirectly.
- 13 7. I also reviewed K-1's of the Company and the bankruptcy file for the COMPANY
14 which listed KENMARK as a 12% investor of the COMPANY.
- 15 8. I reviewed the revisions of the LLC agreements related to the KENMARK investment in
16 the COMPANY wherein KENMARK's counsel made comments or requested changes
17 and all of the proposed revisions included a schedule identifying KENMARK as 12%
18 owner of the COMPANY. No reference was ever made to changing the word
19 "investment" to "loan."
- 20 9. Morrissey was reinstated prior to trial. In that I was brought into this case because of
21 Morrissey's remaining fifty-five or sixty day suspension and was not sharing any of the
22 fees we all agreed that I would withdraw and Morrissey alone would represent our clients.
23 A judicial council substitution of attorney form substituting me out was prepared and
24 signed and Morrissey assured me he would file the same the following Monday when he
25 appeared for trial. (In 2013 I ascertained that Morrissey never filed this document)
- 26 10. Sometime during the first week of October of 2011 in a phone conversation with Morrissey
27 and Mr. Thomas I was informed they had settled and were going to recite the settlement on the
28 record later that afternoon. Morrissey in a very boisterous manner told me that the agreed upon

1 entered against him pursuant to two causes of actions which were premised on fraudulent conduct.
2 Especially in that they were only referred to as the fourth and fifth causes of actions with no
3 mention of fraud or wrongful conduct. This coupled with the recital on the record that no party is
4 admitting to any wrong doing, together with Mr. Morrissey being so emphatic when telling our
5 client to trust him that he would not have to pay and especially in light of Mr. Thomas being
6 severely dyslexic and thus having to trust in our duty to advise him truthfully about his case and
7 how a settlement might affect him, I have to conclude that Morrissey's conduct constituted
8 extrinsic fraud and client abandonment and thus Mr. Thomas had no counsel.

9 15. Mr. Thomas could not have obtained assistance from me in bringing Mr. Morrissey's fraud
10 against him to light before now because, I was under a criminal investigation and eventually
11 charged for aiding Morrissey in the unlicensed practice of law and my defense counsel had
12 instructed me not to have contact with any former client where there had been involvement by Mr.
13 Morrissey. The criminal matter just recently came to conclusion and therefore I am now able to
14 make this declaration. I regret to say that at the time they informed me of the contemplated
15 settlement I relied entirely upon the statements made by Morrissey to the very unfortunate
16 detriment of Mr. Thomas. When Mr. Thomas told me the horrendous financial and emotional
17 impact he and his family incurred because of Morrissey's deception, I felt remorse at not having
18 come forward earlier and feel it necessary to do the right thing for Mr. Thomas and no longer be
19 shielded by advice of counsel.

20 I declare under of penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that if called
21 as a witness I could, and would, competently testify thereto based on my own personal knowledge
22 and belief.

23 Executed this 12th day of February, 2018 at San Jose, California.

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26 Robert A. Machado
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